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DISTANT NEIGHBOURS REPORT ON US NAVAL INTELLIGENCE PERSONALITIES
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From: WASHINGTON

To: MOSCOW

No: 2572

5th October 1943

To [Name AJ][i].

The DISTANT NEIGHBOURS [DAL'NIE SOSEDI][ii] have reported the following on the basis of their own sources:

The Chief of the Eastern European Section [OTDEL] of US Naval Intelligence, Major Andrew [ANDR'Yu] VAJLI [iii], is very close to reactionary Fascist Polish circles: he used to be an anti-Soviet civil servant: he is a careerist and an opportunist.

Rear Admiral DUNCAN is Assistant Director of Naval Intelligence (this is new to me and needs checking). He is a rather straightforward and experienced person. [5 groups unrecovered] [C% quietly] checks up for himself [a] [B% when the facts are there]: A similar assessment is made of the character of Rear Admiral TRAIN [TREJN], who has just been replaced as Director of Intelligence [b], and [C% who is considered] [19 groups unrecovered]

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[Name BT][iv]

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Notes: [a] Literally: "convinces/persuades himself with his own eyes".

[b] Literally: "They give a similar character to the just replaced Director of Intelligence, Rear Admiral TRAIN,"

Comments: [i] Name AJ:

Equivalent to Name No. 42 in [redacted] file. possibly Capt. (1st Rank) M.A. VORONTSOV.

[ii] DISTANT NEIGHBOURS:

Presumably GRU officers working in the Military Attaché's apparatus. (See MOSCOW to WASHINGTON No. 1109 of 26th June 1943, 3/NBF/T1262).

[iii] VAJLI:

See WASHINGTON's No. 2487, 2493 of 28th September 1943, 3/NBF/T1933, Comment [xv]. No USMC major with the Christian name Andrew and a surname which could be transliterated VAJLI has been found in the Register of Commissioned and Warrant Officers of the US Navy and Marine Corps, July 1, 1943.

[iv] Name BT:

Equivalent to Name No. 91 in [redacted], i.e. Capt. (1st Rank) I.A. EGORICHEV, Soviet Naval Attaché in WASHINGTON.

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